day reorientation training of Doctors and Nurses were organised in 13 Medical Colleges all over the country for clinical management of HIV infected persons and AIDS cases.

(b) No.

(c) Does not arise.

Production of Price Controlled Drugs

738. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the rising prices of medicines;

(b) whether it is a fact that drug companies have threatened to slow down investment in basic drugs whose prices are controlled; and

(c) if so, what steps Government propose to take to increase investment and production of price-controlled drugs?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICLAS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The Government has already decided to review the policy measures of 1986. A Standing Committee has also been constituted to review matters concerning Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987.

Video Films on Health Issues

739. SHRI SHAMIM HASHMI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of video films have been made by his Ministry on various health issues and if so, what are the titles of these films indicating the names of the agencies which produced these films;

(b) whether these films have been dubbed in the main languages of the country;

(c) what has been the total expenditure incurred so far on these films;

(d) whether these films have been shown on national or local TV programmes, if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) whether these films would be regularly screened on Railway Platforms also through the internal TV circuits for educating the masses?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI NILAMANI ROUTRAY) : (a) Yes, Sir. List of films and names of the production agencies is given in Statement.

(b) Some of the T. V. spots of shorter versions have been dubbed in main regional languages. States are being encouraged to dub these in the regional languages.

(c) An amount of Rs. 18.15 lakhs approximately has been incurred so far on production of these films. Besides, Rs. 4,52,265.00 have been spent on duplication.

(d) Yes, Sir. T. V. Spots are being regularly telecast over National network and Low Power Transmitter, at 9.00 P.M. and 7.30 P.M. on Doordarshan. Longer films are also being shown on Doordarshan. Instructional films have been sent to training and field units for showing in villages etc.

(e) The Railways have agreed to show our films on close circuit TV of all railways stations free of charge. Accordingly selected films are sent to the Railways for being shown in railway stations as well as for screening in railway colonies.